



"The City With a Heart"

Larry Franzella, Mayor
Irene O'Connell, Vice Mayor
Rico E. Medina, Councilmember
Jim Ruane, Councilmember
Ken Ibarra, Councilmember

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 12, 2008
7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT The San Bruno City Council met in regular session on February 12, 2008 at the San Bruno Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Franzella thanked the San Bruno Garden Club for the beautiful flower arrangement.

2. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Presiding was Mayor Franzella with Vice Mayor O'Connell and Councilmembers Ruane, Medina and Ibarra in attendance. Recording by Clerk Bonner. **City Clerk Bonner** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Mayor Franzella** announced the San Bruno's Redevelopment Agency Meeting will follow tonight's meeting.

4. PRESENTATIONS: None.

5. REVIEW OF AGENDA: **Mayor Franzella** moved Item 11. to follow Item 8.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Council Meeting of January 22, 2008, approved as submitted.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR: All items listed are considered routine or implement an earlier Council action and may be enacted by one motion; there will be no separate discussion unless requested by a Councilmember, citizen or staff.

a. **Approve:** Payroll of January 6 and 20, 2008.

b. **Approve:** Accounts Payable of December 13, 20, 31, 2007 and January 10 and 16, 2008.

c. **Accept:** Reconciliation of General Ledger to Bank Reports and the Investment Reports Dated December 31, 2007.

d. **Waive:** Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance Temporarily Suspending Liability of Airport Parking Facilities for a Portion of the Airport Parking Facilities Tax Provided for by San Bruno Municipal Code 3.16.180.

Councilmember Ruane pulled Item 7.d.

M/S Medina/O'Connell to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar and passed with all ayes.

Councilmember Ruane asked for more information on financials, what other airport facilities are doing and the revenue they receive. He said the City is running a deficit, and this represents a fair loss. **Councilmember Medina** supported Councilmember Ruane's request. **Councilmember Ruane** asked if a subcommittee could be formed. **Mayor Franzella** said it could be sent back to the committee which was made up of Councilmember Ruane and Mayor Franzella.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Hold Public Hearing, Waive First Reading, and Introduce an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.12; “Weeds” to Title 5 (Nuisances).

City Attorney Thompson said this was a clean-up item of language change so the Fire Chief, instead of the Parks and Recreation Director is the designated City official responsible for implementation of these provisions.

Mayor Franzella opened the Public Hearing. No one wished to speak.

M/S Medina/Ibarra to close the Public Hearing and passed with all ayes.

Councilmember Ibarra asked how planting strips fall into this category. **City Attorney Thompson** said this applies to both public and private properties. **Councilmember Ibarra** asked if the property owner was responsible for weeds in the planting strips and **City Attorney Thompson** concurred.

M/S Ibarra/Ruane to waive the first reading and passed with all ayes.

Councilmember Ibarra introduced the ordinance for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

11. Receive Annual Report from the Citizens Crime Prevention Committee (moved to follow 8.).

Michael Salazar, Citizens Crime Prevention Committee, gave an overview of the activities of the Committee over the last year and gave a preview of what would be done in the coming year.

Vice Mayor O’Connell asked if the Committee could give information regarding Neighborhood Watch? **Michael Salazar** said the program is relatively small in San Bruno. He said the goal of the program is to get neighbors involved in knowing each other, to be the eyes and ears of the neighborhood to provide a support network. **Howard Hoyer** of the Police Department said 650 616-7100 could be called.

Vice Mayor O’Connell asked if there was a way all houses in San Bruno could have their house numbers visible for emergency situations? **Michael Salazar** thanked her for her suggestion.

Mayor Franzella thanked the Committee for all they do for the community.

9. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS:

a. Adopt Resolution Approving Installation of New Red Curb “No Parking Zone” on Mills Avenue South of San Bruno Avenue, San Bruno Avenue West of Mills Avenue, Huntington Avenue North of Euclid Avenue, and El Camino Real North of Bayhill Drive.

Councilmember Medina recused himself because of the proximity of his residence.

Engineer Lind, in a powerpoint presentation, described the area on Mills Avenue South of San Bruno Avenue.

Mayor Franzella asked if each item be taken separately. He said Mills Avenue was definitely a dangerous intersection and rather than eliminate parking, if a study had been done to change the direction of the one-way. He added there is very limited parking and taking away two spaces would make less parking. His suggestion was this item go back to the TSPC to restudy. **Councilmember Ibarra** added it has been his experience not to do installation of red curbs on driveways. He said

this could set a policy where there could be countless requests for red curbs. **Engineer Davis** said the TSPC felt this was a justification in sending this to Council.

Mayor Franzella said neither of the Mills Avenue issues have been approved and they both will be sent back to the TSPC.

Engineer Lind described the Huntington Avenue North of Euclid where there have been four accidents at this intersection. **Mayor Franzella** asked what is in front of the curb line? **Engineer Lind** said there are apartments and residences. **Councilmember Ibarra** said taking three parking spaces away would give better visibility; however, with the demand on parking, he said trying one parking space for now would be more feasible. He said he has seen other cities with signs which prohibit tall vehicles. He asked if this could be looked at by the TSPC?

Councilmember Ruane introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

Engineer Lind reviewed the El Camino Real North of Bayhill Drive requested by a citizen to install a new red curb. He pointed out the intersection of Bayhill and El Camino Real has a traffic signal which controls traffic on El Camino Real and Bayhill. The problem with this intersection is the traffic that turns right is allowed to do so on red and the clear sight distance is not adequate and there have been eight accidents at this sight. He did not believe all the accidents were because of the red light; however, staff recommended 84 linear feet of red be installed.

Councilmember Ibarra asked about the curb north of the Kaiser driveway? **Engineer Lind** said to the north of the Kaiser driveway along El Camino Real, there is 16 linear feet of red curb, immediately north of the driveway. He said beyond that there is 50 linear feet of two hour parking.

Mayor Franzella said he had observed not only the Taco Servers, but large vehicles/trucks parking because it is a straight long-run of pavement not in front of any business. He felt doing this would create a bigger problem/obstacle because the I-380 ramp would be turning right on red and blocking the Kaiser driveway. He recommended red curbing the whole thing and eliminate the sight-distance for both driveways for Kaiser and Bayhill. **Councilmember Ibarra** agreed, there was adequate parking for the businesses. **Vice Mayor O'Connell** concurred also.

Engineer Davis said the TSPC did consider elimination of parking; however, in an effort to preserve parking, they left the 50 linear feet. **Mayor Franzella** said no one is using the space for the Kaiser facility. He said red curbing is eliminating a potential safety hazard.

Councilmember Ruane, in agreement, introduced the resolution with modifications and passed with a unanimous vote.

b. Receive Report and Approve Traffic Safety and Parking Committee Recommendation to Retain Existing Parallel Parking at Crystal Springs Avenue Between Oak Avenue and Donner Avenue.

Engineer Davis reviewed the study done by staff and reported diagonal parking would only net the City five additional parking spaces. This section of Crystal Springs Road experiences 10,000 vehicles per day and parallel parking would create more conflict for individuals moving in and out of the spaces. He recommended retention of the existing parallel parking.

Mayor Franzella agreed with the findings. **Councilmember Ibarra** added diagonal spaces do not work because of the size of vehicles. **Councilmember Ruane** agreed also and appreciated the TSPC would be looking at the Donner/Crystal Springs Road intersection.

M/S Ruane/Medina to approve the report and passed with all ayes.

Councilmember Medina thanked the TSPC for looking into this and having it documented.

c. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Agreement with the City of Millbrae for Shared Fire Chief Services.

City Manager Jackson gave an overview of the shared services with Millbrae through June 30, 2008 at the cost of \$127,608.50, of which San Bruno would be responsible for 50% (six months) and asked for permission to execute this agreement.

Councilmember Ruane introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

d. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Use of Compliance Plans in Lieu of Code Enforcement Citations, Fines and Fees, and Other Administrative Processes.

City Attorney Thompson reviewed the staff report regarding compliance plans and asked for Council approval.

Councilmember Ibarra asked about fines? **City Attorney Thompson** said the City would still be issuing fines. She said this would be offered in certain cases where there are a number of abatement actions or a violator who has been issued a number of fines and has not complied. He said the violator would be called in and a compromise could be reached by the fines being returned upon completion of the work.

Councilmember O'Connell was concerned this might prolong solutions. **City Attorney Thompson** said she felt this program, if adopted, might be evaluated for its efficacy. She said fines alone don't achieve compliance; however, they are a tool to encourage compliance. **Councilmember Ibarra** added, it had been his experience, to come on strong with the initial violation and it gets attention.

Councilmember Ibarra introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

e. Receive Report and Approve Amended Plan for Replacing Baseball Fields at the Former Carl Sandburg School Property.

Interim Parks and Recreation Services Director (IPRSD) Mines overviewed the staff report.

Mayor Franzella said of the \$278,000 budgeted, how much is approved to do Lyon's Field? **IPRSD Mines** said \$278,000 minus \$186,000. **Mayor Franzella** said he saw need for improvement at Lions Field, but beyond that he had reluctance to spending City money to improve an existing field and not gain any capacity. He asked if staff had worked with the School District? **IPRSD Mines** said they had not looked at the school properties for fear of the same situation which occurred at Carl Sandburg. **Mayor Franzella** suggested it be looked into.

Councilmember Ibarra asked what group used Carl Sandburg? **Recreation Services Manager (RSM) Brewer** replied Pony and Bronco. **Councilmember Ibarra** asked where their games were played and **RSM Brewer** replied Lions and Bellaire. **Councilmember Ibarra** agreed with the Mayor and stated the two fields on school district property were a result of the needs of the user groups.

Councilmember Ruane confirmed \$92,000 earmarked for Lions field?

Mayor Franzella asked what was going to be done with \$92,000? **RSM Brewer** said new fencing, the asphalt under the bleachers, a soft-top area, a dugout, which is cemented with new benches, hat racks, foul poles and a scoreboard donated by the Lions Club. She reported the figure would be less than \$92,000 because the Lions Club will be donating the scoreboard estimated to be \$10,000. **Mayor Franzella** said about \$82,000, **RSM Brewer** concurred.

Councilmember Medina said on the Lions Field, he understood Pony is primarily at Bellaire and Broncos play at Lions. He said he understood the lights are not used much in order to minimize cost to the league. He also said the adult-user groups pay to use these facilities and in order to remain competitive; they are in much need of repair.

M/S Franzella/O'Connell to authorize the City to make improvements to Lions Field, not to exceed the amount of \$82,000. with the remainder of the funds to be set aside for replacement fields and passed with all ayes.

f. Adopt Resolution Consenting to San Mateo County Health Officer Enforcement in the City of San Bruno of Health Officer Orders Promulgated Pursuant to Statute and Regulation.

City Attorney Thompson said the original resolution dates back to 1941 and the County has asked it be updated. She reviewed the staff report and asked for Council's adoption.

Councilmember Ruane introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

g. Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Terminate ECR Project Agreement by and between Martin/Regis and City of San Bruno and Authorizing City Manager to Execute 2008 ECR Commercial Project Agreement with Stegner San Bruno, LLC Relating to the Crossing/San Bruno Project.

City Manager Jackson gave an overview of the termination of the existing agreement and introduced a new project agreement with Stegner, which includes \$300,000 for liquidated damages, a provision for failure to perform. She introduced **Chuck Stegner, San Jose** who expressed his visions for the site.

Councilmember Ruane asked when the City could expect to see this. **Chuck Stegner** said ground would be broken in six to eight months.

Councilmember Ibarra expressed his proudness for the sight. He asked if they had any idea what restaurants were they thinking of developing. **Chuck Stegner** said they have mostly done mom and pop restaurants. He said he believed there would be no problem getting a quality restaurant.

Councilmember Medina said he liked Chuck Stegner's enthusiasm and it appeared he is ready to back-up all he said. He said he hoped they could provide a restaurant the citizens and neighboring communities could enjoy.

Councilmember Ruane introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

h. Adopt Resolution Approving Application for C/CAG Transit Oriented Development Housing Incentive Program 4th Cycle Call for Projects.

Community Development Director Akin gave an overview of the resolution and asked for adoption.

Councilmember Ibarra asked if the SNK Project would qualify at a third of a mile? **Director Akin** concurred.

Councilmember Ibarra introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

- i. Adopt Resolution Endorsing Guiding Principles of the Grand Boulevard Initiative.

Community Development Director Akin gave an overview of the Grand Boulevard Initiative, which the objective would be to unite 19 cities with one theme.

Mayor Franzella felt we should have one member of Council on this task force and he asked the clerk to agenzize for the next meeting to appoint Councilmember Ibarra.

Councilmember O'Connell introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: None.

11. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:

Receive Annual Report from the Citizens Crime Prevention Committee (moved to follow Item 8.)

12. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS: None.

13. CLOSED SESSION: None.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Franzella asked for a moment of silence in memory of Congressman Tom Lantos. There being no further business to transact, the meeting concluded at 8:39 p.m. The next City Council Meeting will be held on February 13, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall, 567 El Camino Real, San Bruno, CA.

Respectfully submitted for approval
at the regular City Council Meeting of
February 26, 2008

Carol Bonner, City Clerk

Larry Franzella, Mayor